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## REMARKS

Applicant has canceled claims 1-3, 6-10 and 18-22, and added new claims 23-24. Claims 11, 13-17 and 23-24 are pending. Reconsideration of the claims is requested.

Claims 11 and 13-17 were indicated as allowable. Rejected claims 1-3, 6-10 and 18-22 have been canceled. New claims 23 and 24 are presented; these claims depend off allowed claims 11 and 16. Support for new claims 23 and 24 can be found, for example, in FIG. 2.

## **Drawings**

The drawings were objected to as not showing features of claims 18-22, that of handles on the scooters. Claims 18-22 and any others reciting such a feature have been canceled.

## Claim Rejections

Claims 1-3, 6-10 and 18-22 were rejected for various reasons. Claims 1-3, 6-10 and 18-22 have been canceled, rendering these rejections moot.

## SUMMARY

Applicant submits that the claims are in proper form for allowance and respectfully request reconsideration and allowance thereof. A Notice of Allowance is requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative if it will facilitate prosecution of this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

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